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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 861

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"AN ACT CONCERNING RATEPAYER IMPACT STATEMENTS."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (d) of section 16a-3j of the general statutes is
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
5 *passage*):

6 (d) In any solicitation for natural gas resources issued pursuant to
7 this subsection, the commissioner shall seek proposals for (1)
8 [interstate natural gas transportation capacity, (2)] liquefied natural
9 gas, [(3)] (2) liquefied natural gas storage, and [(4)] (3) natural gas
10 storage, or a combination of any such resources, provided such
11 proposals provide incremental capacity, gas, or storage that has a firm
12 delivery capability to transport natural gas to natural gas-fired
13 generating facilities located in the control area of the regional
14 independent system operator. No solicitation for natural gas resources
15 issued pursuant to this subsection shall seek proposals for interstate

16 natural gas transportation capacity. The Commissioner of Energy and
17 Environmental Protection shall not proceed with any solicitation for
18 interstate natural gas transportation capacity that was issued before
19 the effective date of this section. Proposals under this subsection shall
20 not have a contract term exceeding a period of twenty years.

21 Sec. 502. Subsection (g) of section 16a-3j of the general statutes is
22 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
23 *passage*):

24 (g) If the commissioner finds proposals received pursuant to this
25 section to be in the best interest of electric ratepayers, in accordance
26 with the provisions of subsection (e) of this section, the commissioner
27 may select any such proposal or proposals, provided the total capacity
28 of the resources selected under all solicitations issued pursuant to this
29 section in the aggregate do not exceed three hundred seventy-five
30 million cubic feet per day of natural gas capacity, or the equivalent
31 megawatts of electricity, electric demand reduction or combination
32 thereof. Any proposals selected pursuant to subsections (b) and (c) of
33 this section shall not, in the aggregate, exceed ten per cent of the load
34 distributed by the state's electric distribution companies. The
35 commissioner may, on behalf of all customers of electric distribution
36 companies, direct the electric distribution companies to enter into
37 long-term contracts for passive demand response measures, electricity,
38 electric capacity, environmental attributes, energy storage, [interstate
39 natural gas transportation capacity,] liquefied natural gas, liquefied
40 natural gas storage, and natural gas storage, or any combination
41 thereof, from proposals submitted pursuant to this section, provided
42 the benefits of such contracts to customers of electric distribution
43 companies outweigh the costs to such companies' customers.

44 Sec. 503. Subsection (h) of section 16a-3j of the general statutes is
45 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
46 *passage*):

47 (h) Any agreement entered into pursuant to this section shall be

48 subject to review and approval by the Public Utilities Regulatory
 49 Authority. The electric distribution company shall file an application
 50 for the approval of any such agreement with the authority. The
 51 authority shall approve such agreement if it is cost effective and in the
 52 best interest of electric ratepayers. The authority shall issue a decision
 53 not later than ninety days after such filing. If the authority does not
 54 issue a decision within ninety days after such filing, the agreement
 55 shall be deemed approved. The net costs of any such agreement,
 56 including costs incurred by the electric distribution company under
 57 the agreement and reasonable costs incurred by the electric
 58 distribution company in connection with the agreement, shall be
 59 recovered on a timely basis through a fully reconciling component of
 60 electric rates for all customers of the electric distribution company.
 61 Any net revenues from the sale of products purchased in accordance
 62 with long-term contracts entered into pursuant to this section shall be
 63 credited to customers through the same fully reconciling rate
 64 component for all customers of the contracting electric distribution
 65 company. For any contract for [interstate natural gas transportation
 66 capacity,] liquefied natural gas, liquefied natural gas storage or natural
 67 gas storage entered into pursuant to this section, the electric
 68 distribution company may contract with a gas supply manager to sell
 69 such [interstate natural gas transportation capacity,] liquefied natural
 70 gas, liquefied natural gas storage or natural gas storage, or a
 71 combination thereof, into the wholesale markets at the best available
 72 price in a manner that meets all applicable requirements pursuant to
 73 all applicable regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory
 74 Commission."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	16a-3j(d)
Sec. 502	<i>from passage</i>	16a-3j(g)
Sec. 503	<i>from passage</i>	16a-3j(h)